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UNVET TRANSIT NEEDS HEARING
LOEL CENTER
105 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET
LODI, CALIFORNIA
DECEMBER 5, 1984
1:00 P.M.

Notice thereof having been published in accordance with law, and a copy of which publication is on file in the office of the City Clerk, the Mayor called for the public hearing to receive testimony concerning unmet transit needs within the City of Lodi.

Present: Mayor John Randy, Snider, City Manager Glaves, Assistant City Manager Glenn, and City Clerk Reimche

Also present in the audience was City of Lodi Public Works Administrative Assistant Sharon Blaufus, San Joaquin County Council of Governments Representatives Peter VerDoorn and Gary Dixon, County of San Joaquin Public Works Department Representative Doralee Boles.

Mayor Snider called the meeting to order and gave a brief presentation on the purpose of the hearing.

Mayor Snider then opened the public hearing and the following persons gave testimony concerning the subject:

a) John A. Ochsner5 Chestnut StreetLodi

Mr. Ochsner asked about the number of Dial-A-Ride vehicles routinely running.

The Assistant City Manager advised that 5 vehicles are running during the main part of the day.

b) Shirley Klein 216 East Oak Street Lodi

Ms. Klein presented the attached petition marked Exhibit "A" and thereby made a part thereof bearing approximately 129 signatures reading as follows:

"The undersigned do hereby petition the City Council of the City of Lodi to establish a fixed route bus system within the city in addition to the current Dial-A-Ride system, which we feel is inadequate to the needs of the citizens of Lodi.

Ms. Klein elaborated that the proposed fixed route system would be intended to serve the transportation needs of all ages. Also it was the intention of the proponents of the fixed rise system that this be in addition to the Dial-A-Ride system.

c) Irene Rodacker317 AcaciaLodi

Asked if only one bus on the proposed fixed route system might be equipped for handicapped.

Mr. Pete VerDoorn indicated that State or Federal regulations dictate the percentage of public transportation vehicles needed to be so equipped.

d) Ted Rodacker 317 Acacia Lodi Indicated that the major problem is the trains in town and asked why there couldn't be an underpass for trains.

Mr. Rodacker indicated he liked Dial-A-Ride but asked about extending service to Saturday and Sunday.

e) Laura Cates 336 Louie Avenue Lodi

Ms. Cates indicated her interest in extending Dial-A-Ride service to include Saturday and Sunday.

Mayor Snider asked for a show of hands of those people in the room who use Dial-A-Ride. Approximately 50% of those present other than City, County, or CCG Staff members indicated they did.

Mayor Snider further asked how many people were happy with Dial-A-Ride and the majority of those who indicated they used Dial-A-Ride indicated they were happy with the service.

Assistant City Manager Glenn discussed the feasibility of week-end Dial-A-Ride service.

f) Edna Weber 312½ Flora Lodi

Complimented Dial-A-Ride and the service it provides.

g) Ms. E. Sargent 206½ B Flora Lodi

Also complimented Dial-A-Ride and its drivers.

h) Mr. Norman Voss 820 N. Lincoln Way Lodi

Representing the Senior Citizens Club talked about their members using Dial-A-Ride and the extension of service to include weekends.

i) Ms. L. White 301A E. Oak Street Lodi

Complimented Dial-A-Ride and its service.

j) Mrs. Rose Giannetti 333 South Fairmont Street Lodi

Indicated she would like buses to go to Senior Citizens to transport members $to/from\ meetings.$

Mrs. Giannetti complemented the Lodi-Tokay Rotary and the Lodi Merchants for the free holiday rides.

k) Irene Wimer 1501 Holly Drive Lodi

Asked about number of Dial-A-Ride vehicles in service at one time. Assistant City Manager Glenn responded to the question.

1) Henry Martin 304 Acacia Street Lodi Complained about trains going through town.

m) Mrs. Irene Rodacker 317 Acacia Street Lodi

Talked about the opening of Oak and Walnut Streets.

n) Shirley Klein 216 East Oak Street Lodi

Asked various questions regarding the underpass that was suggested earlier.

Questions were raised about the average waiting time for Dial-A-Ride and the Assistant City Manager responded about $\frac{1}{2}$ hour.

o) Nadine Aberle 123 South Sunset Drive Lodi

Asked if there were many requests for Dial-A-Ride at 7:00 a.m. and suggested if not perhaps the hours could be adjusted to serve the community to a later hour with service commencing at some hour after 7:00 a.m.

The Mayor expressed appreciation to all who attended and the meeting was adjourned at approximately $2:00\ p.m.$

City Clerk Reimche presented the attached letter from Candid Feliciono for inclusion into the record.

Attest:

Muce M. Bunche Alice M. Reimche City Clerk ATTENTION: Alice M. Reimche, City Clerk

DATE: /1/84

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Lodi City Council

FROM: The Citizens of Lodi, in particular the elderly

SUBJECT: Public Transportation City of Lodi

THE UNDERSIGNED DO HEREBY PETITION THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI TO ESTABLISH A FIXED ROUTE BUS SYSTEM WITHIN THE CITY IN ADDITION TO THE CURRENT DIAL-A-RIDE SYSTEM, WHICH WE FEEL IS INADEQUATE TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITIZENS OF LODI

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF CIRCULATOR OF PETITION ... Washington - Rod

December 5, 1984

For those who are concerned with the transportation here in Lodi.

I will like if you can get of those Mini \hat{B} us that have the city of Stockton. Some time I see those half empty but still there are area that the Big \hat{B} us don't cover so those came handy.

Suppose you can't afford to buy one. Then you can make arrangement with them to come to Lodi twice a week, and give service at the same price of 50% like they do there.

Another suggestion in others city they have those mini Fuses but they have Schedule at the Bus Stop with the time of departure and return. So the people meet at that area and go shopping. If we have a Tus that go to Melvin and Fry. Then returned and pickup other to Kmart going down Pine St. From there he returned to Fry area.

Then Israkup at Lodi Ave or same place to to Lakewood are and Raley. Senior Citizen may still the Dial a Rice to go to Dr. But these mini bus can help beenle move here to the shonping and some to go to work, also children sometime need to to from north to south for the school.

This explain basic need for home the city have frow and bill prowing Sincerely

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